

Indicator #4: Amputations Reported by Employers

Maryland State Occupational Health Indicators

About this Indicator:

Why is this Indicator Important?

Work-related amputations are a preventable serious injury, and control of occupational hazards is the most effective means of prevention.

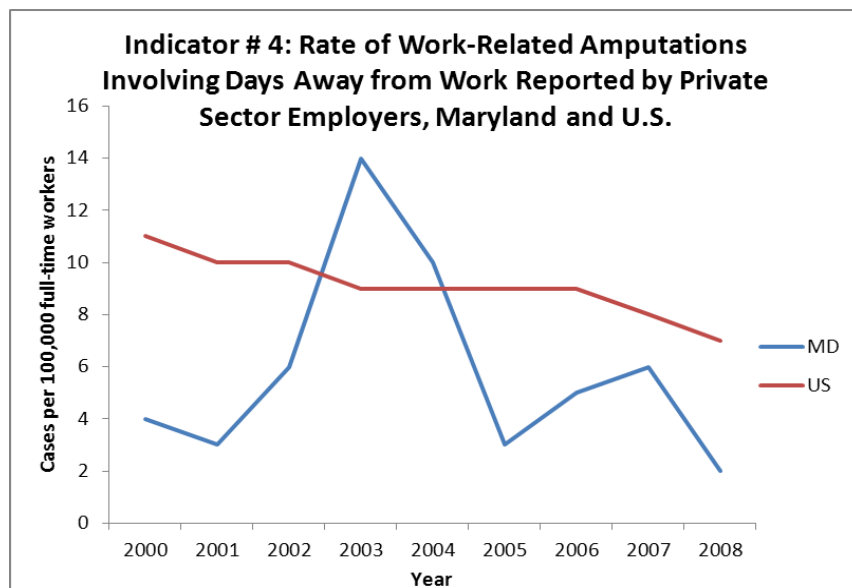
Information on reported cases can be used to identify contributory factors and to develop improved or new prevention strategies or regulations to protect workers.

Limitation of Indicator:

The Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses is conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics using a probability sample and not a census of all employers. It is based on injury and illness data reported by employers and is subject to sampling error. Military, self-employed individuals, farms with fewer than 11 employees, and Federal agencies are excluded from the survey.

For more information on this indicator or occupational health in Maryland, visit the DHMH website.

► An amputation is defined as full or partial loss of a protruding body part - an arm, hand, finger, leg, foot, toe, ear, or nose. An amputation may greatly reduce a worker's job skills and earning potential as well as significantly affect general quality of life.



Indicator # 4: Work Related Amputations with Days Away from Work Reported by Employers, Maryland

Year	Number	Rate*
2000	73	4.00
2001	58	3
2002	97	6
2003	230	14
2004	170	10
2005	60	3
2006	100	5
2007	110	6
2008	30	2

* Incidence Rate per 100,000 full-time workers

Data Source for this Indicator: Bureau of Labor Statistics' Annual Survey of Occupational Injuries and Illnesses